

Cambridge Public Library
Board of Library Trustees
Minutes

A regular meeting of the Board of Library Trustees was held on Monday, June 6, 2005 at the Main Library. The following members of the Board of Library Trustees were present:

- Janet Axelrod
- William Barry
- Andre Mayer
- Patricia Payne
- James Roosevelt
- Nancy Woods

also present:

- Susan Flannery, Director of Libraries
- Marilyn Gagalís, Administrative Assistant

No Action Required

Ms. Flannery informed the Board that she had not received any Patriot Act requests since the June meeting.

Correspondence was acknowledged from Susan Goldhor and Brian Fix.

Ms. Flannery reported that the library was re-opening on Monday, June 20th with a Grand Re-Opening Celebration planned for June 25th. The celebration will begin with a "Poetry Walk" from the old building to the new building ending with the library's "house" band playing on the front stairs. Nancy Woods suggested that the library contact Katherine Sullivan (CRLS parent representative) to spread information about the library's move, etc.

Ms. Flannery also reported on events. The Library's Groundbreaking ceremony will be held on Thursday, The ceremony will begin inside 449 Broadway underneath the murals with Charles Sullivan speaking about the historical importance of the building. A Hawthorne tree will be planted on the front lawn in honor of Frederick Rindge.

The Garden Tour sponsored by the Friends was held on June 5, 2005 and was a successful fundraiser. Final dollar amounts raised have not yet been calculated.

Ms. Flannery requested that the Board allow children's fines to be discontinued. All books are currently checked out at Circulation desks only.

Action Items

Minutes from the April 2005 meeting were approved.

Ms. Flannery reminded the Board that a Meeting Room Policy needs to be formulated before the opening of the new building. Some suggestions included: must be a Cambridge based organization, a Cambridge resident must sign and be responsible, and applications should be available on the web page.

Ms. Flannery and Janet Axelrod will meet to discuss how to approach the Friends with fundraising ideas. The Board should also prepare a fundraising plan in the near future.

Board members discussed the possibility of expanding the search for a Galbraith Lecturer. Eric Lander (stem cell research) or Jeff Drazen (N. E. Journal of Medicine) could be potential speakers.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. The next meeting of the Board will be on Monday, September 12, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. in the temporary Main Library at 359 Broadway.

Andre Mayer, Secretary